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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - August 11, 2006

United States Attorney Carol C. Lam announced that United States District Judge John A. Houston today sentenced Miguel Perez-Martinez to serve 65 months in custody and three years of supervised release for being an illegal alien in possession of a firearm.

On March 30, 2006, Perez-Martinez, a citizen of Mexico, pled guilty to possessing five firearms, identified as a Remington Model 700 rifle, a Stevens Model 67 12-gauge shotgun, a Sears Model 10125 410-gauge shotgun, a Remington Targetmaster Model 510P .22 caliber rifle, and a M1 Garand 30-06 caliber rifle. Perez-Martinez also agreed to appear before an Immigration Judge and stipulate to the entry of an order of deportation, to take effect after serving his custodial sentence.

According to court documents, Perez-Martinez was arrested on January 23, 2006, in Fallbrook, California, by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department, with the above-described weapons in his possession. The United States Border Patrol confirmed that Perez-Martinez was in the country illegally, and

agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives subsequently verified that all five firearms were manufactured outside the State of California.

DEFENDANT

Miguel Perez-Martinez

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Illegal Alien in Possession of a Firearm - Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(5)(A) and 924 (a)(2)

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

San Diego County Sheriff's Department

United States Border Patrol